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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-150

Sir:

- (X) Enclosed is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement.
- Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$_____
- If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2006, applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-35, 48-50, drawn to an organic fuel cell, classified in Class 429, subclass 12. The election between Groups I, II and III, is made without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to Groups II and III.

In response to the election of species, applicants further elect the species identified as I-2, claims 17-23.

The latter election between species is made with traverse, on the grounds that while the claims are patentably distinct, the office action fails to meet the requirements of MPEP § 806.04(f), for election of species. Accordingly, it is requested that all of claims 1-35 and 48-50 be examined.